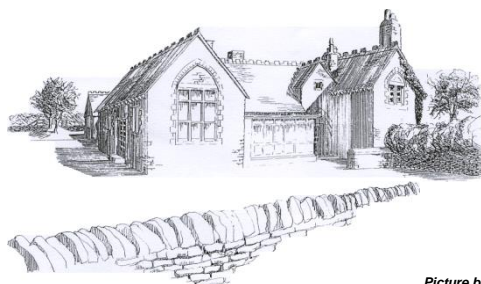




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Dear Parents,

We are delighted to welcome you and your child to Clanfield Church of England School as part of our new Reception Class! Thank you for choosing Clanfield Church of England School for your child to take their next step towards independence. We are a thriving school community and welcome you and your family with open arms.

We have two Headteachers in our school, Mrs Rogers and Mrs Smith. Miss Williams will be your child's Teacher and Mrs Newell is the class Teaching Assistant.

Starting school is a very exciting time for all involved but can also cause some anxiety. At Clanfield Church of England School we are committed to smooth and timely transitions that allow each child to settle in, get to know their teachers and make new friends. We believe parents and carers play a key role in this transition so you too can feel reassured that your children are safe and happy. We can only imagine that during this time of uncertainty, the natural worries and anxieties that occur when children are about to start school are exacerbated. As we do not know how long school closures will last, it is difficult for us to publish details of our usual transition programme however, please let us reassure you that we will be thinking of ways that we can prepare your child and give them the best possible start to school.

It is definitely an unusual and challenging time at the moment, and we know you and your child might be feeling worried about the transition into our Reception Class this September. We want to reassure you that we are here for you every step of the way.

In order to follow the government's guidelines on social distancing, we have had to adjust our arrangements for supporting this year's transition. However, we hope the remote activities that we have planned will help put your child (and you!) at ease and get them feeling as excited as we are for the new school year.

We would like to offer some remote transition to support your child over the next few weeks and will start with a phone call home. We will be contacting you during the week commencing 18th May with further details on these arrangements.

We cannot say yet when we will be able to open the school fully, but rest assured that if anything changes at all, we will contact you as soon as possible via email.

In the meantime, please take a look at our school website, using the transition tab to see a virtual tour of the Early Years Foundation Stage classroom voiced by one of our Headteachers,

Mrs Rogers. You will also hear a presentation voiced by Miss Williams, the class teacher. This will be available from 22nd May.

Please also find attached a few forms which we would like you to return by 29th May so that we can get ahead with all our paperwork. If you are unable to print these off then please let Miss Williams know and we will print them off at school for you.

If you have any concerns or questions about your child's transition please let us know by emailing the School Office on office.3100@clanfield.oxon.sch.uk and a member of the Senior Leadership Team will be very happy to discuss any questions you have further.

We look forward to connecting with you over the next term, as we prepare for the start of your child's learning journey with us.

Warm regards,

Mrs Rogers, Mrs Smith and the Clanfield team

